

MANUFACTURING

Since 1960 Kinston has had an increase of 24.3 acres in manufacturing land use. Manufacturing land in Kinston is approximately 12.6 percent of total developed land. Even though there has been a decrease in actual number of employers since 1960, there has been expansion of facilities to meet the demands of a national and local economy. Within the one mile planning area of Kinston, there are 105.7 acres of manufacturing land. This manufacturing acreage comprises approximately 2.6 percent of total developed land within the one-mile area. Due to the availability of land within the one mile area and the availability of water and service within that area, many manufacturing concerns consider Kinston's one mile area an ideal location.

There is no definite area or land section of Kinston that is comparable to a manufacturing or industrial park. Manufacturing is located throughout the eastern and southeastern sections of Kinston. These areas are more conducive to manufacturing due to the availability of railroad transportation and easy access to major highway routes going north, south, east and west. Since 1960, the Texfi Corporation has located on Airport Road adjacent to Stallings Field Airport. Water and sewer service has been made available to this area and possible future manufacturing or industrial development may occur in this area due to availability of these services.